



Holy Communion: Rite Two
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2026 | 8AM & 10AM



WELCOME!

We are an Episcopal (Anglican) community of various backgrounds and beliefs, drawn together by our love of God in Jesus Christ. We believe that God's radically inclusive love excludes no one. At St. Dunstan's, all people are welcome, no exceptions. Please visit our Welcome Table on the patio to get more information about our church. A "Welcome Pad" is located at the end of each pew if you would like to share your name and/or contact information. If you are interested in membership, please speak with our Rector, Rev. Rebecca. We're so glad you're here!

Prayer book & Hymnals: In the pews you will see various books in different colors. The red book is our Book of Common Prayer (BCP). BCP pages are included if you prefer to use the Prayer Book. The blue Hymnal 1982 contains many of the hymns in today's service. Other hymns, beginning with "J-", can be found in the white, large ringed book entitled "Make a Joyful Noise," produced by our Parish Musician, Gregory Funk.

The Prelude

Opening Hymn Hymnal 494 vs 1, 3 5

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Opening Sentence

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Glory to God in the highest (8:00 spoken)

BCP 356, Hymnal S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-12

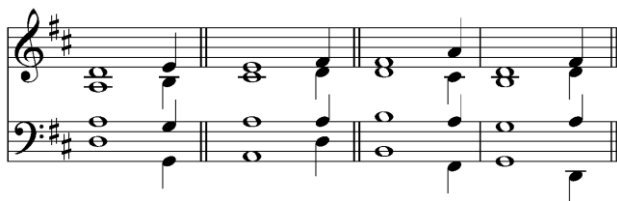
At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love,

and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 119:129-136 (8:00: *spoken*)



129 Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.
130 When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.
131 I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.
132 Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.
133 Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.
135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.
136 My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn – Hymnal J-327 (1,2)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Leader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew...

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a

net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

(10:00) Children’s Moment

The Sermon

The Rev. Cyndi Jones

The Nicene Creed, *standing as able*

Celebrant and people

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

With Solomon and the great sages of our lineage, let us now turn our hearts to God and seek true wisdom, saying: O God, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of religious communities and parishes throughout the earth, as they journey towards truth and clarity, we pray for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For governmental officials, caught in the arms, race, locked in an age of deceit and suspicion, we pray for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For the youth of our age in their search for the pearl of identity we ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For all mothers and fathers who awake today without food for their children, we ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For those who seek and never find, for those who travel without purpose, and for those blind to the needs of others, we ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

For the sick, for the dying victims of incurable disease, for those chained by depressions, fear, and addiction, and for those who minister to them. We especially pray for those on our prayer list: Carole, Jim, Christopher, Melanie, Ben, Bob, Sandia, Aaron, James, Anita, Gary, Mike, Roman, Paul, Ray, Tom, Mary, Molly, Joanna, Donna, Jim, Eugene, Barbara, Brennie, Irene, Emily, Jaimy, Shirley, Mary Helen

We ask for God's wisdom:

O God, hear our prayer.

We also pray for requests from our community:

- For an end to war and peace for the people of our nation and abroad, including the Middle East, Congo, Sudan, and Ukraine
- For God's compassion, truth, justice and peace to rule in our hearts as a nation.
- For all those impacted by the devastating earthquakes in Venezuela.
- For local and international stability and security.
- For refugees, migrants, the hungry and those who cannot afford food.

From our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Tanzania.

From our Diocesan cycle of Prayer: We pray for the clergy and people of All Saints', San Diego, and for the EDSD youth delegation to the Province VIII Youth Pilgrimage in Hawaii.

From our Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for those who serve at the Naval Amphibious Base Coronado.

You are invited to add your own petitions at this time in your heart or with your voice.

Concluding Collect

Astonish us once again, O God, and bring forth from the storeroom of your heart the abundance of wisdom. May all who ask for our prayers know your love, and may we give testimony to your grace in our lives of compassion. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly

repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace, *standing*

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Quilts, *said together*

Gracious and Loving God, we thank You for the loving hands and spirits of those who created this quilt for the comfort of those in need. Let this quilt be a tangible sign and symbol of your enfolding love as Your Holy Spirit embraces them, eases their pain and worry, and brings them Your comfort and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offertory Sentence

(10:00) Offertory Anthem: *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)* Newton/Tomlin/Giglio

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

(Refrain) My sins are gone, I've been redeemed. My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy rains: unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me. His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures (*Refrain*)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun refuse to shine.
But God, who called me here below will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

(8:00) *Celebrant* All things come from thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father
Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant says a Proper Preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the
company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People (8:00 spoken)

Hymnal S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



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The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People and Celebrant

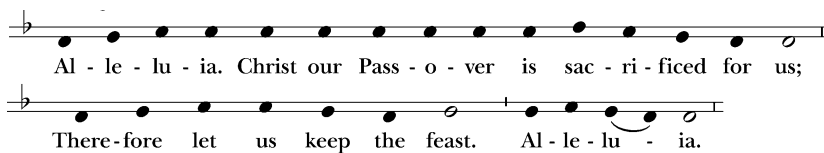
Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover (8:00 spoken)



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The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church regardless of your church/ denominational background. Please extend 2 hands if you wish to have your bread dipped into the wine and extend one hand if you prefer to receive bread only and/or the common cup. If you need gluten free

bread or prefer no wine, please indicate this. If you do not want Communion, you can come forward for a blessing instead, indicated by crossing your hands over your chest or simply remain in your seat.

(10:00) Communion Violin: *A Poor Wayfaring Man of Grief*

Coles/arr. Valadez

(10:00) Communion Hymn #J-359

Be Not Afraid

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Priest In the name of Christ Jesus, and through the family of St. Dunstan's, we send you out bearing these holy gifts for God's holy people: that those who will receive them with us may experience the majesty and the mystery of His presence. We who are many are one body,

People *because we all share one bread and one cup.*

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn #544 (1,2, 5 at 8:00)

Jesus Shall Reign

The Dismissal

Alleluia! Let us go out into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

The Postlude *Toccata on Diademata (Crown Him)*

arr. Lani Smith

**BACK TO
SCHOOL
BLESSING**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

Prayers and Squares will take a vacation during August to work on the rummage sale.

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LOOKING FOR NEW BOOKS TO READ? It's time for St. Dunstan's annual All-Parish Summer Book Reading! This year, the congregation will be reading two books:

- How We Learn to be Brave by the Right Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde
- Mudhouse Sabbath: An Invitation to a Life of Spiritual Discipline by Lauren F. Winner

In addition to bookstores and other outlets, these two books may also be available in print and online at the county and/or city libraries. In September, we will gather for a book discussion - see you then!

NOW COLLECTING RUMMAGE!

Drop-off is available at the youth building on Sundays from 7:30-noon; Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 9:00-5:00; and Saturday from 10:00-2:00. Closed Mondays & Tuesdays.

Please package donations as follows: Clothing & linens in bags; Household items in boxes. Department chair slots are still open. Many volunteers needed to sort, price, and label rummage. Help for any length of time is welcome! Visit the sign-up table every Sunday in August to share your time and talent. Please call Anne-Elise Kelly or Kathleen Studer if you have any questions.

Volunteer Sign-Up Notice – Rummage Sale - WE NEED YOU!

We're gearing up for our August Rummage Sale and need your help to make it a success! Volunteer Sign Ups will be Every Sunday in August, before and after each service.

Sign Up Roles Available:

- Cashier – handle transactions, keep the register stocked, and assist with smooth checkout.
- Hospitality & Security Team – welcome guests, direct traffic, ensure safety, and help with setup/cleanup.
- Bring Food – Help nourish the hard-working team of volunteers.
- Help at the Gala – Many hands make the night at the Gala more fun!
- Clean Up Team – Help with clean up after the rummage sale is over.

Gala Tickets will also be on sale for \$25 for Parishioners and their guest only!!

If you have any questions, contact rummage@stdustans.org

We can't do it without you!

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen, Rector The Rev. Cyndi Jones, Interim Pastoral Care Minister
Music	Sue Caldwell, Guest Music Director Gail Schmidt, violin
Readers	Ray Sifton, Dennis Martin Derek Vlasek, Ann Jarrett, Jennifer Gaebe
Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Martin CJ Lowder, Ann Jarrett
Healing Prayer Team	Anne Elise K., Matt B. Ally W.
Acolytes	Melina, Graysen, Sarah, Brennie, Kyla
Sunday Sexton	Ryan Sifton

INFORMATION FOR THE SERVICE

St. Dunstan's Pledge cards are available in the back of the church. You can mail a check to the office or donate online through ACS or on www.stdunstans.org or in person on Sunday morning.

If you wear **hearing aids with T-coil** you can hear our service directly through your hearing aids. If you do not have T-coil, or have hearing loss and are not yet ready for hearing aids, you can use one of our portable receivers and headset. A "**quiet room**" with streaming of the service is available in the back corner of this building and accessible seating options are marked and available throughout the church. Check with a Hospitality Minister for assistance.

Children of all ages are welcome in our services (noises and all). Our nursery is also open all morning for ages 0-3 (located on the east side of this building) and our "Pray-Ground" (front-left pew of the church) is open during the service with quiet children's activities. Christian education is at 9:00am for all ages (Sept-May) and during the 10:00am service children are welcome to come forward for a "Children's Moment" and may leave with teachers during the sermon for brief children's education and return just before Holy Communion. Children of all ages may receive Holy Communion at their parent's discretion.

Accessible bathrooms are located inside the church to the left and right of the main entrance. Please let a Hospitality Minister know if you need assistance with anything or have any questions.

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